



Town of Aurora
General Committee Meeting Report

Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Attendance

Council Members Councillor Kim in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland Humfries, Thompson, and Mayor Mrakas

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Jason Gaertner, Acting Director of Financial Services, Allan Downey, Director of Operational Services, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Coordinator

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed in honour of former Deputy Mayor John Abel, who passed away on December 6, 2018.

General Committee consented to recess the meeting at 8:58 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following additions:

- Delegation (a) Paul Reid, Resident; Re: Item R2 – CS18-031 – Noise Exemption Request – 440 William Graham Drive
- Delegation (b) – Withdrawn – Kasie Savage representing Real Food First; Re: Healthy Food in Concessions – Follow-up
- Delegation (c) Peter Smith, Regency Acres Ratepayer Association (RARA); Re: Planning Consultant Report to Council
- Item C3 – Memorandum from Mayor Mrakas; Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of October 26, 2018
- Item R8 – CMS18-027 – Sport Aurora Funding Agreement Extension

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

3. Community Presentations

None

4. Delegations

(a) Paul Reid, Resident

Re: Item R2 – CS18-031 – Noise Exemption Request – 440 William Graham Drive

Mr. Reid expressed concern regarding excessive construction related noise emanating from the subject property that violates provisions of the current Noise By-law. It was requested that the exemption be declined to ensure that any construction work is carried out within the regulations of the Noise By-law.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the delegation to Item R2.

(b) Kasie Savage representing Real Food First
Re: Healthy Food in Concessions – Follow-up

The delegation was withdrawn.

(c) Peter Smith, Regency Acres Ratepayer Association (RARA)
Re: Planning Consultant Report to Council

Mr. Smith emphasized the importance of the Stable Neighbourhood review and noted specific zoning requirements suggested by the Regency Acres Ratepayer Association (RARA), including limiting maximum building height to nine metres, lower height for flat roof designs, and that the lot coverage be dependant on type of structure, with reduced coverage for two-storey homes. It was requested that the ratepayer associations be allowed to review and provide input on the draft version of the report to be prepared by the planning consultant.

General Committee received the comments of the delegation.

5. Consent Agenda

General Committee recommends:

That the following Consent Agenda Items C1 to C3 be approved:

C1. CS18-025 – Access Aurora, Customer Service Quarterly Report

1. That Report No. CS18-025 be received for information

C2. PDS18-098 – Planning Application Status List

1. That Report No. PDS18-098 be received for information

C3. Memorandum from Mayor Mrakas

**Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
Board Meeting Highlights of October 26, 2018**

1. That memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of October 26, 2018 be received for information.

Carried

6. Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

None

7. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

General Committee consented to consider items in the following order: R2, R1, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, and R8.

R1. CS18-028 – Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS18-028 be received; and
2. That Attachment 2, the policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards be approved; and
3. That the following Advisory Committees be established:
 - Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee
 - Community Advisory Committee
 - Heritage Advisory Committee
 - Finance Advisory Committee (Council members only)
 - Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee; and
4. That staff be directed to advertise for members of the Committees listed above with the exception of the Finance Advisory Committee; and
5. That the attached Terms of Reference for each Committee be approved.

Carried

R2. CS18-031 – Noise Exemption Request – 440 William Graham Drive

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS18-031 be received.

Carried

R3. FS18-027 – 2019 Fees and Charges Update

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS18-027 be received; and
2. That a by-law be enacted to set the 2019 Fees and Charges for applications, permits, use of Town property, the sale of documents and for the prescribed service charges for administrative matters as itemized on the attached schedules, be approved.

Carried

R4. CAO18-007 – Town of Aurora Website Upgrade

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CAO18-007 be received; and
2. That this report satisfy Council's conditional budget approval for Capital Project No. 12037 – Town of Aurora Website in the amount of \$70,000.

Carried

R5. CS18-030 – Approval of 2019 Meeting Schedule

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS18-030 be received; and
2. That the 2019 Meeting Schedule (Attachment No. 1) be approved; and
3. That the Town Clerk be authorized to make amendments to the Council and Committee Meeting Calendar as required

Carried

R6. FS18-025 – 2018 Year End Surplus/Deficit Financial Control By-law

General Committee recommends:

1. That That Report No. FS18-025 be received; and
2. That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Treasurer and the Chief Administrative Officer to make necessary year-end financial adjustments:
 - (a) to allocate any 2018 Operating Fund surplus or deficit as set out in Report No. FS18-025; and
 - (b) to allocate any 2018 surplus or alternatively fund any deficit in the Water, Wastewater, or Stormwater budgets to or from the appropriate related reserve accounts; and
3. That the Treasurer and Chief Administrative Officer report to Council after the year end surplus/deficit control adjustments and allocations have been completed.

Carried

R7. FS18-026 – Annual Cancellation, Reduction or Refund of Property Taxes under Sections 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act*

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS18-026 be received; and
2. That a meeting be held in accordance with Sections 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as amended (the Act) in respect of the applications filed with the Treasurer by owners of property listed in this report at which applicants may make representation; and
3. That total property taxes in the amount of \$18,544.07 and \$30,118.58 be adjusted under Section 357 and 358 of the Act respectively set out in Attachments #1 and #2; and
4. That any associated interest charged applicable to these adjustments be cancelled in proportion to the total property taxes adjusted.

Carried

R8. CMS18-027 – Sport Aurora Funding Agreement Extension

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CMS18-027 be received.

Carried

8. Notices of Motion

None

9. New Business

Councillor Gaertner inquired about the timeline of the environmental motions passed at the end of the previous term, and staff provided a response noting that the timeline will be provided in the first quarter of 2019.

Councillor Gallo extended his regards to all Members of Council on a successful first meeting of the 2018-2022 Term of Council.

Councillor Gilliland inquired about the impacts of Bill 66 on the Town, and staff noted that more information is forthcoming in 2019.

Council Humfryes referred to Delegation (c) and inquired about the engagement process between the consultant and ratepayer associations, and staff provided a response noting that feedback received from ratepayer associations has been forwarded to the consultant.

Councillor Mrakas noted that he would be bringing forward a motion regarding Bill 66 at the December 18, 2018 Council meeting and requested Council for a waiver of procedure in order to consider the motion.

Councillor Kim inquired about the status of Provincial government's direction on the Ontario Municipal Board reform, and staff provided a response noting that formal direction from the Province is pending.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about the opportunity for ratepayer associations to provide input on the Stable Neighbourhood report to be prepared by the planning

consultant. Staff provided a response noting that the report will be brought to the Public Planning meeting of January 30, 2019, and comments will be welcomed at the meeting as per the process.

10. Closed Session

None

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Harold Kim, Councillor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk